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In re Application of:)
Kimio MISEKI)
Serial No.: Not yet assigned) Group Art Unit:
Filed: March 13, 2001) Examiner:

For: SPEECH ENCODING METHOD, SPEECH DECODING METHOD AND
ELECTRONIC APPARATUS

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231**

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant brings to the Examiner's attention the document listed on attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the document listed on attached Form PTO-1449 and indicate that it was considered by making an appropriate notation on this form.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the above-referenced application.

The following is a concise statement of relevance of the non-English language document:

1. Japanese Application No. 4-352199 discloses a non-linear modification method to make excitation which is feedback signal for adaptive codebook in CELP coding system. In the method, excitation is obtained by adding adaptive code vector component and adaptively center-clipped stochastic code vector component.

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Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed document, should the document be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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